

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-4 and 8-18, without prejudice. Kindly amend claims 5, 6 and 7, as shown below. Please add new claim 19, as shown below.

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the Application:

Claims 1 - 4 (cancelled)

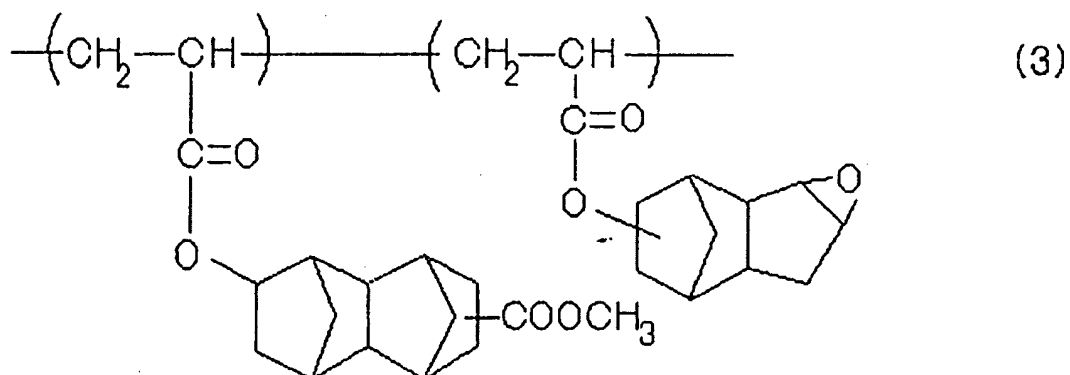
Claim 5 (currently amended): A liquid crystal display unit ~~as set forth in claim 1~~, comprising:

a TFT substrate with a thin film transistor (TFT) formed thereon;
an opposite substrate with a common electrode formed thereon; and
a liquid crystal layer packed and formed between these substrates, wherein said TFT substrate comprises a first transparent substrate, and a first light shielding film, an underlying film, a TFT, a first inter-layer insulating film, a wiring metal film, a second inter-layer insulating film, a third inter-layer insulating film, a smoothening film, a first transparent electrode film and a first alignment layer all sequentially formed on the first transparent substrate, and said opposite substrate comprises a second transparent substrate, a second transparent electrode forming said common electrode and a second alignment layer all sequentially formed on the second substrate, and said smoothening film is made of a transparent resin so as to pass light therethrough without absorbing light with wavelength of 300 nm or higher,

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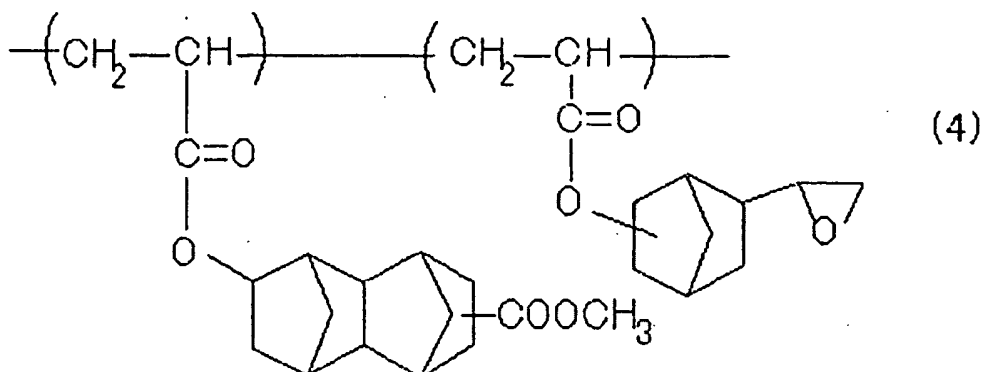
wherein said transparent resin is an acrylic resin, prepared from acetoxystyrene, 4-epoxy tricyclo [4. 4. 0. 1^{2,5}. 1^{7,10}] dodecyl acrylate-3, 4-epoxy tricyclo [5. 2. 1. 0^{2,6}] ~~decyl acrylate~~ decylacrylate represented by the following formula (3).



Claim 6 (currently amended): A liquid crystal display unit as set forth in claim 1, comprising:

- a TFT substrate with a thin film transistor (TFT) formed thereon;
- an opposite substrate with a common electrode formed thereon; and
- a liquid crystal layer packed and formed between these substrates, wherein said TFT substrate comprises a first transparent substrate, and a first light shielding film, an underlying film, a TFT, a first inter-layer insulating film, a wiring metal film, a second inter-layer insulating film, a third inter-layer insulating film, a smoothening film, a first transparent electrode film and a first alignment layer all sequentially formed on the first transparent substrate, and said opposite substrate comprises a second transparent substrate, a second transparent electrode forming said common electrode and a second alignment layer all sequentially formed on the second substrate, and said smoothening film is made of a transparent resin so as to pass light therethrough without absorbing light with wavelength of 300 nm or higher,

wherein said transparent resin is an acrylic resin, prepared from poly (acetoxystyrene-co-1,2,5,7,10] dodecyl acrylate-2-epoxy norbornyl acrylate represented by the following formula (4).



Claim 7 (currently amended): A liquid crystal display unit as set forth in claim [[1,]] 5,

wherein said TFT substrate has a second light shielding film between said second inter-layer film and said third inter-layer film.

Claims 8-18 (cancelled)

Claim 19 (new): A liquid crystal display unit as set forth in claim 6, wherein said TFT substrate has a second light shielding film between said second inter-layer film and said third inter-layer film.

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